



Provost's Report to the Academic Senate

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Enrollment Updates



Advancing Scholarship Utilization

THE CHALLENGE

- Scholarship funding is not fully utilized, leaving dollars unawarded annually
- Inconsistent and unaligned practices across scholarship data, policies, and timelines
- Decentralized processes and limited visibility across campus
- Creates barriers for students and inconsistent experiences

Purpose

Serve as a cross-campus coordinating body to align practices, improve transparency, and transition to more active management of scholarship funds

NEW SCHOLARSHIP WORKGROUP

Goal

Ensure the **vast majority of scholarship funds** are awarded to students annually by improving coordination, standardizing processes, and expanding access



Funding Opportunities and Awards



Faculty Opportunities: Grants and Workshops

2026 AI Course Integration Grants

- Awards of \$2,000 for integrating generative AI into new or existing courses
- Applications due by April 17
- Please see the [call for proposals](#) for details

2026–2027 Service-Learning/CEL Faculty Fellows Program

- Assist faculty with integrating service-learning into a new or existing course
- Participate in 6 meetings throughout the academic year
- Tenured, tenure-track, and lecturers are eligible to apply
- \$1500 stipend for completion of the program
- ***Applications due by Friday, April 24, 2026***



Faculty Opportunities: Grants and Workshops

CSU LIFT Grants: Learning Innovation for Future-Forward Teaching

- CSU funding for career-connected course innovation
- Open to all faculty (including lecturers) as individuals or in teams
- From \$10k to \$30k per project (approximately 30 awards systemwide)

Key Dates:

- May 15: Request Provost signature
- June 1: Proposal deadline



Faculty Opportunities: Grants and Workshops

Provost's Teacher Scholar Awards

- Awards announced last week
- 74 faculty received assigned time, 8 faculty received equivalent funds.

Upcoming Intramural Awards

- **RSCA** Faculty Mini-grants – Awards announced April 17
- **SIRG** Interdisciplinary grant awards –announced May 1

CAFE [Programs and Events](#)

- Department Chair Academy: Monday, May 18



Future Career Paths



Career Engagement In and Out of the Classroom



CAREER CHAMPIONS 2026-2027 Faculty Cohort Apply Today!



*Gain hands-on training
for preparing students
with diverse real-world
experiences!*



All faculty that will teach in the 2026-2027 academic year are invited to apply! Through this program, you'll learn how to:

- Build a culture of career readiness
- Integrate and assess high-impact practices
- Use Career Center resources and tools in the classroom

Those selected as Career Champions will train as Fellows. They will be required to complete in-person trainings and events throughout the year. Course content will connect to career markers and industry pathways. Fellows will receive a \$3,000 stipend upon completion.



Cal Poly
Pomona

Career Center

Apply Now!

Deadline: April 24, 2026

bit.ly/CareerChampsFac26-27

Questions? Contact
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Career Engagement In and Out of the Classroom

BRONCO CAREERWORKS

What	Bronco CareerWorks Hiring Event
When	April 30
Who	Graduating seniors and alumni
Where	SSB MPR
Time	4:00 – 6:30 pm
Partners	Alumni & External Relations

<https://careercenter.cpp.edu/channels/bronco-careerworks/>



Announcements and Collaborations



2025-2026 Provost's Awards for Excellence in Teaching, Scholarly and Creative Activates, and Service

Excellence in Teaching



Paul Nissenson,
Professor, Mechanical
Engineering

Excellence in Scholarly
& Creative Activities



Alex Madva,
Professor, Philosophy

Excellence in Service



Viluppanur Ravi,
Professor, Chemical &
Materials Engineering



2025-2026 Outstanding Advisor Award Winners

Outstanding Faculty Advisors

- Dr. Eshwar Ravishankar | Plant Science | Huntley College of Agriculture
- Dr. Mary Im | Accounting | College of Business Administration
- Dr. Cynthia Geary | Education | College of Education and Integrative Studies
- Dr. Navid Nakhjiri | Aerospace Engineering | College of Engineering
- Professor Lyannie Tran | Architecture | College of Environmental Design
- Dr. Sheree Mooney | Hospitality Management | Collins College of Hospitality Management
- Dr. Alejandro Morales | Psychology | College of Letters, Arts, & Social Sciences
- Dr. Ken Hansen | Kinesiology and Health Promotion | College of Science

Outstanding Staff Advisors

- Ashley Duran | Bronco Advising Center
- Berlinda Crawford | College of Education and Integrative Studies Student Success Center
- Christina Jacobo | Student Support & Equity Programs
- Diana Curtis | College of Science Advising Center
- Ian Carlson | College of Science Advising Center

Outstanding Advising Program

- College of Environmental Design Student Success Center

Outstanding Advising Partner

- Connie Kuang | Registrar's Office

Elizabeth Guevara-Laxamana Advising Champion Award

- Zoe Lance | Office of Student Success



Advancing GIS at CPP

Faculty Hire Call for Proposals

- Five tenure-track positions
- Proposals are due to the College Dean by **5:00 pm, April 20**



Office of Academic Innovation: 2026 Faculty and Staff Conference

Title:	Human at the Core: Navigating AI in Higher Education
When:	June 3–4 from 8:30am to 4:30pm
Registration:	Event Brite (early bird: May 1 @ 5PM; regular: May 23 @ 5PM)
More info:	Conference website



CAFE: Summer Institute 2026: AI Retrofit

- May 26-27 & May 29
- \$500 compensation for full in-person attendance and completion of assignments
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BroncoBound – Recap

Final Event Registrations

Registered Students: **3,776**

Total with Guests: **12,180**

**Roughly 3.2 guests per student registered*

Quick Facts:

- **221** students accepted their offer of admission
- **1,824** attendees participated in shuttle tours
- **1,034** attendees toured the BRIC
- **764** attendees across 6 department presentations in the BSC



Survey data is still being collected from admitted students, guests, and volunteers.



Questions?